



BUILDING GREAT PRODUCTS WITH RIGHT PEOPLE!

Navigating Leadership and Talent
in Product Development

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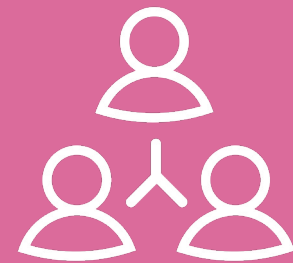
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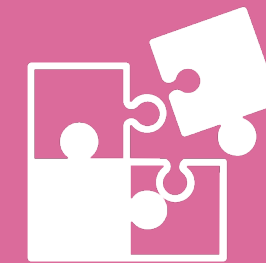
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CHET HENDRICKSON



CO-CREATOR OF EXTREME PROGRAMMING

Involved in Agile Software Development since 1996, when Chet developed eXtreme Programming at Chrysler's C3 project



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Chet has been an independent consultant, coach and trainer since 2002. With Ron Jeffries, Chet taught the first of many Certified Scrum Developer programs.





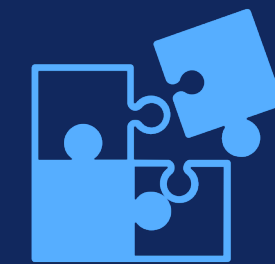
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HUGO LOURENÇO



**FOUNDER OF THE AGILE THINKERS,
WORLD AGILITY FORUM & HIGH
PERFORMANCE TEAMING CHALLENGE**

Hugo is an Entrepreneur in several businesses and his main focus is to understand how companies are coming up with better ways of working.



**CONSULTANT, ADVISOR,
TRAINER AND GUEST SPEAKER**

From Project Management to Enterprise Agility, Hugo is a Accredited Kanban Consultant (AKC), and a Kanban, DevOps, Scrum, Scrum@Scale, SAFe trainer

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"How does TRUST within a team impact the success of a project/Product?"

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"What values and qualities do you find most important in effective leadership?"



THE LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE IN DEVELOPMENT

Why is the Leadership crucial? 4 Important Ideas not to forget:

01

Lack of Clear
Vision and Goals

02

Poor
Communication

03

Inadequate
behaviour and
mental model

04

Failure to Foster
a Positive Team
Culture



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"How can leaders ensure high performance in teams with both in-house and outsourced members?"



TALENT & ACQUISITION CHALLENGE THE DIGITAL AGE

01

Remote working
options and
flexibility

02

External assistance
for core
capabilities in high
demand

03

Cultural and
language barriers
Communication
skills

04

Employee
burnout,
which has not
decreased



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"What key elements define a culture of success, and how can leaders cultivate them within their teams?"

THE CHALLENGES FOR A SUCCESSFUL CULTURE

01

Engagement and
Empathy

02

Navigating Cultural
Differences

03

Diversity, Equity,
and Inclusion
(DEI)

04

Alignment of
Values and
Actions



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"How have you seen common organizational mistakes impact a team's success?"



"THESE ARE NOT THE *DROIDS* YOU ARE LOOKING FOR"

You can do numerous interviews, focus groups and mathematical problems – you will only know if people are real performers once you start working with them.

Assess and understand what skills would be useful for your context, keeping in mind that:

01

Emotional
Intelligence (EQ)

02

Active Listening

03

Adaptability

04

Conflict Resolution

We need to have a difficult conversation!



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"What tools and practices should be included in a developer's 'secret toolbox' to ensure they are building software responsibly?"

"SECRET ITEMS FOR YOUR TOOLBOX"

01

fostering an open
and innovative
environment

02

skills and creativity
to solve problems

03

master new
technologies and
methodologies

04

understand how their
work contributes to the
overall success



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KEY TAKEAWAYS AND CONCLUSIONS



THANK YOU!

**DO YOU HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS, OR SHALL WE
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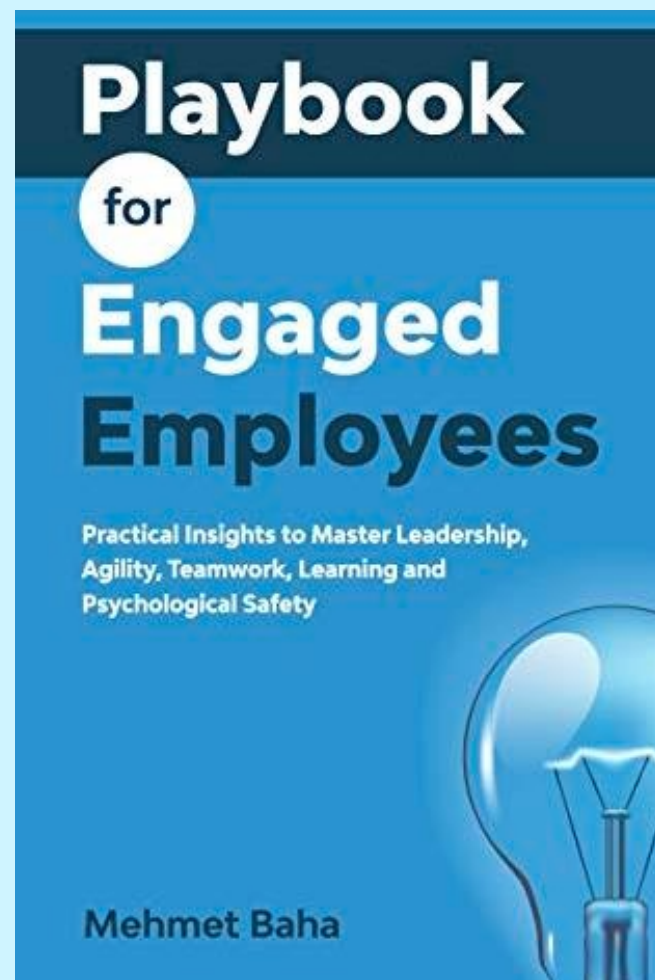
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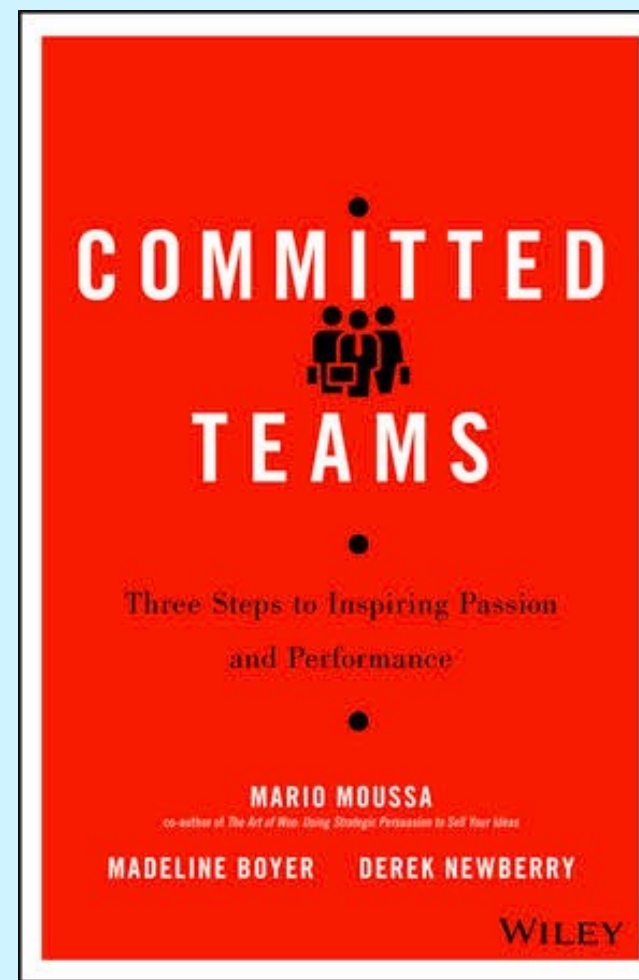
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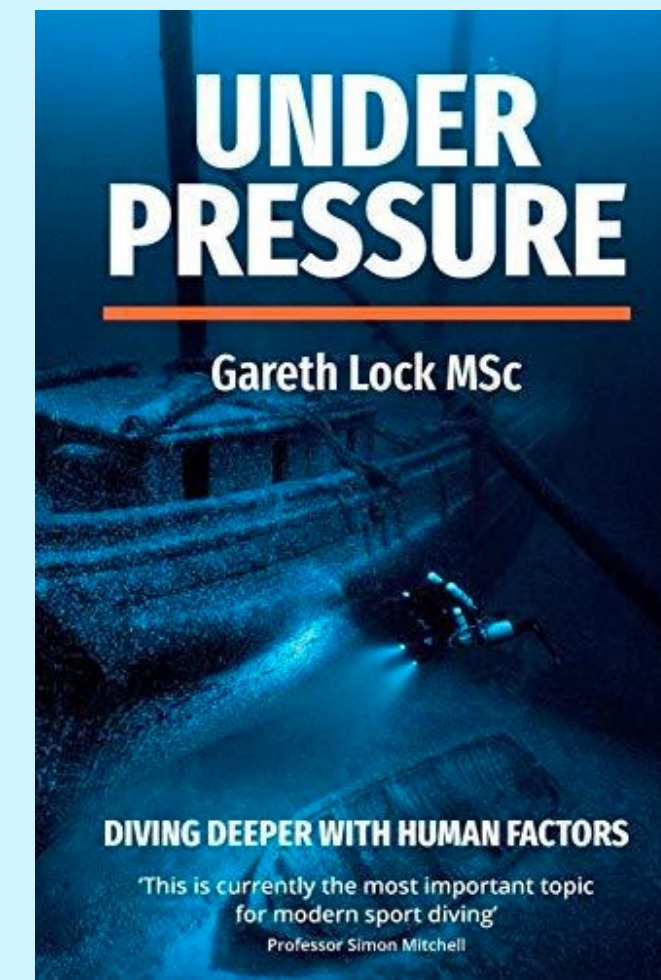
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Playbook for Engaged Employees



Committed Teams: Three Steps to Inspiring Passion and Performance



Under Pressure: Diving Deeper with Human Factors